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New Advertisements.

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New Westminster, January 12, 1865.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following is a copy of an entry made in the book kept by the Registrar of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, for the registration of trust deeds for the benefit of creditors, as required by the statute:—

COMPOSITION DEED.
Date of Deed—1st Feb., 1865; Date of Execution, 14th Feb., 1865; Debtor—Solomon D. Levi, Mouth of Quesselle Merchant; Trustees—Samuel Reinhart, Victoria merchant; Louis Goldstone, do.; Otis Parsons, British Columbia, do.; Nature of Deed, Assignment for benefit of creditors; Date of Registration, 14th Feb., 1865, at 11 a.m. Oliver Hare, Acting Registrar Supreme Court of British Columbia.

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I HAVE THIS DAY given full Power of Attorney to GEORGE FRYE and VALENTINE HALL to transact all business on my behalf, and to manage my affairs. W. G. PEACOCK.

IN REFERENCE to the above notice, all persons having any claim against the above named W. G. PEACOCK will present the same, and all persons indebted to him are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

GEORGE FRYE, VALENTINE HALL.

FRASER RIVER SANDS.

CAUTION TO MARINERS

NO. 1 AND 2 BEACONS (NORTH AND SOUTH SAND HEADS), have been carried away during the late gales.
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WILLIAM GRIEVE.

New Westminster, Nov. 25, 1864.

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JOHN MURRAY.

New Westminster, Dec. 2, 1864.

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FOR 1865.

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and will now accept proposals for Insurance both in the

Fire and Life Departments.

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James Dickson, Esq., M. D., has been appointed Medical Examiner to the Life Branch.

ANDERSON & CO.,

Wharf Street.

Victoria, 20th January, 1865.

F. G. RICHARDS

Has Returned from Cariboo

AND IS STILL AT HIS OLD STAND,

BLIZZARD SALOON,

—ON—

Holbrook's Wharf,

WHERE HE WILL BE GLAD TO SEE

OLD FRIENDS.

—AND—

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—AND—

COFFEE SALOON.

—AND—

THE UNDERSIGNED begs to inform his friends, and the public generally, that he has removed to his new and commodious establishment on the

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where he hopes to receive from a generous and discriminating public an extended patronage, commensurate with his increased facilities for accommodating them.

Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Pies and Cakes,

supplied at all hours, and at reduced rates.

Orders for WEDDINGS and PARTIES promptly attended to.

JOSEPH SOREL.

New Westminster, March 3, 1865.

LOCHLOMOND HOUSE!

AT THE

Seventy-four-mile Post

ON THE

Lillooet-Alexander Road.

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will contain CIVILITY, and the best

LIQUORS AND CIGARS.

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The strictest attention will be paid to the comfort of those who may patronize the Lochlomond House.

JOHN McMURPHY.

Lochlomond, British Columbia, March, 1865.

A CARD!

To the Editor of the British Columbian.

SIR—As large and mighty advertisements have of late become so common, we think it an almost unwarrantable proceeding to inform the public that we have superseded the Town Council in C. Millard's stone building, where consigned goods in great variety and of the latest fashion must be sold.

Auction Sales will be held twice a week, commencing on Wednesday, 5th instant, at noon.

HOOPER & CO.

New Advertisements.

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3,000,000 FEET DRESS'D,

In lots to suit, for Exportation.

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TO FARMERS.

DECEMBER being the month for sowing Winter Wheat on the lands adjacent to the Fraser, farmers can obtain small supplies of several sorts from the stock of the Agricultural Association in New Westminster, thereby to prove what kinds are best adapted for this part of the colony, and to secure seed for another season. The Association have six varieties of Wheats.

W. E. CORMACK, Hon. Sec.

New Westminster, December 5, 1864.

THE INVALID'S FRIEND.

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS.

Nervous Disorders.

What is more fearful than a breaking down of the nervous system? To be excited or nervous in a small degree is most distressing, for where can a remedy be found? Here is one—Drink but little wine, beer or spirits, or far better, abstain from them altogether; do not take coffee—weak tea is preferable; get all the fresh air you can; take three or four of these Pills every night; eat plenty of solids, and avoid the use of elixirs. If these golden rules are followed, you will be happy in mind, strong in body, and forget you have any nerves.

Mothers and Daughters.

If there is one thing more than another for which these Pills are so famous it is their purifying properties, especially their power of cleansing the blood from all impurities, and removing dangerous, and renewing suspended secretions. Universally adopted as the one grand remedy for female complaints, these Pills never fail, never weaken the system, and always bring about what is required.

Disorders of the Kidneys.

In all diseases affecting these organs, whether they secrete too much or too little water; or whether they are afflicted with stone or gravel or with aches and pains settled in the loins over the region of the kidneys, these Pills should be taken according to the printed directions, and the Ointment should be well rubbed into the small of the back at bed time. This treatment will give almost immediate relief after all other means have failed.

The Stomach out of Order.

No medicine will so effectually improve the tone of the stomach as these Pills; they remove all acidity, occasioned either by intemperance or improper diet. They reach the liver, and reduce it to a healthy action; they are wonderfully efficacious in cases of spasms—in fact they never fail in curing all disorders of liver & stomach.

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No diseases are more frequent, few more dangerous, than affections of the respiratory organs. The first symptoms of disordered action may always be removed by Holloway's renowned Pills. They quickly remedy any temporary stagnation of blood, relieve any over-gorged veins, moderate the hurried breathing and enable the windpipe and lungs to perform their functions with ease and regularity. These Pills, by their purifying powers, cleanse the blood from all impurities, and thus fortify the system against consumption, asthma, and other pulmonary complaints.

Debilitated Constitutions.

In cases of debility, languor and nervousness, generated by excess of any kind, whether mental or physical, the effect of these Pills is in the highest degree bracing, renovating and restorative. They drive from the system the morbid cause of disease, re-establish the digestion, regulate all the secretions, brace the nervous system, raise the patient's spirits, and bring back the frame to its pristine health and vigor.

Biliousness, Loss of Appetite, Headache and Lowness of Spirits.

These Pills effect a truly wonderful change in debilitated constitutions as they create a healthy appetite, correct indigestion, remove excess of bile, and overcome giddiness, headache, and palpitation of the heart.

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Colic	Indigestion	Tic Douloureux
Constipation of the Bowels	Inflammation	Tumours
Consumption	Jaundice	Ulcers
Debility	Liver Com-plaints	Venerable Affections
Dropsy	Lumbago	Worms of all kinds
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS THIS DAY.

Hardware, &c.—Cunningham Brothers.

The British Columbian.

NEW WESTMINSTER, SATURDAY, FEB. 25, 1865.

THE VICTORIA PRESS AND OUR NEW TARIFF.

That the promulgation of the new tariff has caused a most profound sensation in Victoria may easily be gathered from the public prints. And yet we have private advices which assure us that the half has not been told. While professing the most complete security and a distinct knowledge of what was coming, it is not difficult to detect indications of a midnight surprise, with all its concomitant confusion and contradictory assertion. One paper admits that no heavier blow could be struck at the commercial supremacy of Victoria, and in the very next issue avers that the new tariff will injure British Columbia instead of helping it; while another paper asserts that it will prove utterly harmless all round. One paper says that a knowledge on the part of the Home Government that the Tariff imposes an *ad valorem* duty upon the value of goods at the place of export, "not, as is the ordinary custom, upon the value at the place of importation," will prevent its receiving Imperial sanction! Another paper admits the principle of the Tariff to be perfectly fair and "English in its character." Is it not pitiful to see the press, which ought to enlighten, mould, direct public opinion, so deplorably uninformed? It is not, however, so much with the eccentricities and glaring inconsistencies of the press of the neighboring colony that we would now have to do, as to point out and expose a false impression insidiously sought to be made upon British Columbia mind with respect to the practical results of the new Tariff. It is gravely asserted, in a leading article in the *Colonist*, that it will at once cause a decrement to the revenue of this colony and raise the price of imported goods to the consumer. It were a mere work of supererogation to undertake to show that both these results cannot possibly follow the enactment of the new Tariff, inasmuch as the proposition is too contradictory in itself, to need any refutation. If goods brought in under the new tariff pay a heavier duty the revenue must just be increased to the extent of the difference. That the duty upon goods exported to this colony from Victoria will be higher we admit; and that goods so exported will be dearer to the consumer we also admit. But that importations from Portland, San Francisco, England, or any of the producing and manufacturing markets will pay a higher duty we positively deny. The Victoria papers have afforded us convenient data for basing calculation upon, by freely admitting that our trade has hitherto been paying a fifty per cent. profit to Victoria. Very well then. Dry goods now pay 15 per cent. duty instead of 10 per cent. One thousand dollars worth of dry goods imported direct would pay \$150, or precisely the same as if imported from Victoria under the old Tariff, and 50 per cent. less than they would under the new. But it must be remembered that there is the saving to this colony of the 50 per cent. upon cost, as well as duty. Dry goods will, therefore, by direct importation, be laid down in this colony just 50 per cent. cheaper under the new tariff than they were under the old. But the great bulk of articles are chargeable with 12½ per cent. duty now, instead of 10 per cent. as previously. One thousand dollars worth of such goods, if brought direct, would pay \$125, being just \$25 less duty than they would have cost if imported from Victoria under the old Tariff at 10 per cent. duty, or \$62 50c. less than they would pay if brought from Victoria now, to say nothing of the 50 per cent. additional cost. A careful analysis of the new Tariff will show that for British Columbia to import her supplies direct under it will, on an average, reduce the rate of duty about 2 per cent., and reduce the cost by nearly if not quite 50 per cent., a result which the political demagogues of Victoria can hardly show to be other than advantageous to New Westminster, and to the whole colony. Although the duties must, undoubtedly, be higher upon imports from Victoria, and the revenue from that source increased, yet a careful calculation, in framing the Tariff, showed that direct trade would make them less than they were under the old system; and partly in order to meet the consequent deficiency in the revenue an export tax has been placed upon gold. Our Victoria contemporaries presume rather too much upon the "gullibility" of the people of this colony when they attempt to convince them that the new Tariff is hostile to the interests of British Columbia.

New Advertisements.

CUNNINGHAM BROTHERS,

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C.

—AND—

Nanaimo, V.I.

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OF HARDWARE,

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NO HUMBUG!

We make up all our Tinware on our own premises, which we offer Wholesale & Retail very low.—ENCOURAGE HOME MANUFACTURE.

IN THE PRESS,

AND WILL SHORTLY APPEAR, A PAMPHLET under the title of "Non-sectarian system of Education versus the so-called Non-sectarian Schools," by Rev. L. FORQUET, O. M. I.

Royal Columbian Hospital!

TENDERS are required for supplying the ROYAL COLUMBIAN HOSPITAL with the undermentioned articles, to the 30th June next. Tenders, addressed to the Secretary of the Board of Management, will be received at the Hospital until 12 o'clock (noon) on the 28th instant. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

LIST OF ARTICLES TO BE TENDERED FOR:
 FLOUR, Golden Gate;
 BUTTER, Latham's;
 SUGAR, Sandwich Island No. 1;
 CANDLES, Price's Sperm;
 TEA, Congou;
 COFFEE, Ground;
 RICE, Batavia;
 SOAP, English Yellow;
 OATMEAL, American;
 OATMEAL, Scotch;
 ARROWROOT;
 CORN STARCH;
 SYRUP, East Boston.
 New Westminster, February 20th, 1865. fe23td

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The British Columbian.

NEW WESTMINSTER, SATURDAY, FEB. 25, 1865.

Telegraph Matters.

It would appear that New Westminster is destined to assume no unimportant position in the great telegraphic system which is about to girdle this earth of ours. The new programme of the Collins Telegraph Company is one of vital importance to this colony, not only as bringing it into immediate communication with the electric systems of Asia, Europe and North Africa, but because it will connect us with the interior of our own colony, reducing the time required for interchanging communication with Cariboo from fifteen days down to as many minutes! The Russo-American Telegraph Company is now represented in this city by a highly respectable staff of officers, who have established their office for the present in the Columbia Hotel. A portion of the material and plant for this the chief station came up by the last steamer, and the remainder is on the way. Having purchased a controlling interest in the line now nearly completed to this place by the California State Telegraph Company, the line will be continued from New Westminster up to Fort George, via Cariboo, thence striking across to Russian America. The line from California to this city will, in all probability, be completed within a month, and we are given to expect that the line northward will be completed as far as Cariboo before the close of the approaching season! Mr. Edward Conway who has charge of the explorations, &c., will at once proceed to locate the line from here to Yale, while Mr. J. W. Pittfield will be the local representative of the company in this city. Those of us who came here six years ago to plant a city where then stood an unbroken forest of gigantic firs, proudly waving their towering tops as if in defiance of the puny efforts of man to conquer them, will hardly be able to realize to the full extent the new era now bursting upon us! A Government of our own, direct steam communication, direct trade with the great marts and electric connection with the civilized world, each following the other in such quick succession, are considerations calculated almost to bewilder the mind. And yet it is all real, tangible fact. In less than a year New Westminster, traduced and dreaded by a jealous and grasping neighbor, will be the centre of all these great systems—these civilizers, which must speedily make her worthy to be the capital of an important colony, and the great centre of commerce on the British Pacific. We understand it is not in contemplation to establish a branch to Victoria.

THE WAGON TIRE BILL.—Elsewhere will be found a report of the proceedings at a large meeting held at Yale in condemnation of this measure, which we publish, notwithstanding that the measure has been withdrawn, in order to show the real state of public opinion anent a piece of legislation so strongly opposed in these columns, and to convince the Government more fully of the propriety of the course it adopted in withdrawing the Bill.

POUNDS ORDINANCE.—This absurd Bill has, it will be seen by our published reports, been withdrawn. We congratulate the country upon its deliverance from so "monstrous" a measure, and the House upon its escape from the disgrace which its adoption would have entailed.

THE FIRST TELEGRAPH ON THE BRITISH PACIFIC.—We understand the gentlemen representing the Collins Company here are about to establish telegraph communication at once between Government House and the city.

DIRECT STEAM COMMUNICATION.—We believe the arrangement to place the steamer *Thames* upon the route to San Francisco has fallen through at the eleventh hour. We cannot say that we regret the result, as we think it would be a mistake to place a boat of her class upon the route when a better is available.

THE IMMIGRATION REPORT.—We regret that we have not room to-day for this report. Perhaps the most important feature of it is the introduction of the system of giving free grants of land to bona fide settlers.

THE GOVERNMENT SALE OF WATER-FRONTAGE LEASES came off on Thursday, but did not excite quite as much interest as we anticipated. Mr. Clarkson acted as auctioneer. Mr. J. T. Scott was the principal bidder.

THE AUCTION SALE OF LOTS held by Mr. V. Hall on Thursday, was measurably successful. Five lots changed hands at fair prices.

THE STR. "HOPE" underwent some repairs and had her boilers tested and left early yesterday morning for Harrisonmouth. She will probably return to-day.

Legislative Council.

TUESDAY, February 23rd, 1865.

House met at 3 o'clock, p.m., Hon. Colonial Secretary in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. Hon. Colonial Secretary gave notice that he would introduce the Estimates on Thursday, 2nd prox.

Hon. Mr. Moberly gave notice that he would introduce a motion to the effect that the Governor be requested to appropriate money for the purpose of opening trails to enable pack trains to supply miners with goods more easily than at present, such trails extending from the North Fork of Thompson River to the Kootenay country and to the Columbia Bend, and from Fort George to Peace River.

GOLD FIELDS AMENDMENT BILL.

House went into Committee of the Whole on the recommitment of this Bill.

Part 1.—read and passed. Part 2.—Hon. Mr. Holbrook moved an amendment to clause 25 with regard to the imposition and collection of mining licenses on Chinese miners.

Hon. Mr. Ball opposed the motion on the ground that the whole clause had been expunged from the Bill at a previous sitting, where the question had been fully discussed, and he did not consider the hon. member's absence in Victoria on that occasion gave him the right now to renew the discussion. Hon. Mr. Holbrook spoke at some length with regard to the Chinese mining population, stating that a large influx of Chinamen was to be expected, and that it was unjust to the white men, who paid their licenses and contributed a larger amount of revenue generally to the country, that the Chinamen, who were well able to pay their licenses, should escape from the payment of any taxes whatever. The hon. member wound up by strongly advocating the measure.

Hon. Mr. Ball said that the last hon. member had made a long rambling speech, but that from his own experience on Fraser and Thompson Rivers he considered such a measure as the compulsory payment of licenses altogether inadvisable. The jurisdiction of the Magistrates was too extended to allow it to be practicable without a large increase of staff. Most of the Chinese miners were too poor to be able to pay any tax, and the jails would only be filled with Chinamen at a great expense to the colony. The Chinamen who do not pay their licenses were subject to the same penalty as the white men—their claims were jumpable.

Hon. Mr. Elliott supported Hon. Mr. Ball with considerable warmth, stating that he considered the measure a most villainous one.

Hon. Mr. Homer thought that a little more exertion on the part of the officials in the district would enable them to collect the fines. He thought the Chinamen should be looked after. A large number of them were working for one master at a certain rate, and these masters were well able to pay their licenses. He thought that if such a law were in effect they would be more likely to come forward and pay without compulsion.

Hon. Mr. Ball again objected on the ground of the expense to the colony of collecting.

Hon. Colonial Secretary thought that Chinamen could not be taxed without taxing others. With regard to their taxation in Australia, that had been done under the sanction of the Home Government.

Hon. Attorney-General objected to the re-discussion of the measure. It was the opinion of most of the members, that the Chinamen were too poor to pay their licenses. If any tax were imposed it ought to be general.

Hon. Mr. Walkem considered that the hon. member's absence was sufficient ground for the re-introduction of the clause for discussion. He had first introduced it to avoid the invidious distinctions between white men and Chinamen, but now he considered that a distinction ought to be made. Rather than the clause should be lost he would support the Hon. Mr. Holbrook's amendment.

Hon. Mr. Elliott liked Hon. Mr. Holbrook's amendment better than the original clause. He thought it the more straightforward of the two, but he considered the motion improper, and objected to it most strongly.

Hon. Mr. Cornwall called for a show of hands, and the motion was lost.

The rest of the Bill was read and passed as it stood with the addition of certain amendments.

Orders of the Day were then read, and the House went into Committee on the Bankruptcy Bill, the hon. member for Lytton in the chair.

Several members expressed a wish that a Select Committee should be formed.

Hon. Attorney-General considered it necessary that the Bill should be gone through clause by clause by a Committee of the Whole.

Hon. Collector of Customs wished to know if any law existed why a Select Committee should not be formed.

The first four clauses were then read and passed by the House, when the Hon. Mr. Walkem moved that the House rise, report progress and ask leave to sit again.

The Bill was then referred to a Select Committee.

POUNDS BILL.—Hon. Mr. Cornwall asked leave to withdraw this Bill. Leave granted, and same accordingly withdrawn.

The House then adjourned until Friday, at 3 o'clock, p.m.

FRIDAY'S SITTING.

The House met at 3 o'clock. The Hon. Colonial Secretary in the chair. All the members were present. The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

EXPLORATION.—The Hon. Mr. Moberly moved, seconded by Hon. Mr. Homer: "That the Government be respectfully requested to appropriate a sum of money to be expended in opening some pack trails through the interior of the colony, by such lines as may be most advantageous and practicable, to enable miners to prospect that section of the country extending from the most Northernly point of the Columbia River to the head waters of the North Thompson River, from Cariboo to the same point, and from thence via Tete

Janne Cache, to the valley of the Peace River." There being considerable opposition shown, and the Hon. Colonial Secretary having intimated that a certain amount for exploration would appear in the Estimates the resolution was withdrawn.

DEMIGRATION.

The Report of the Select Committee on Immigration was taken up and considered in Committee of the Whole. Hon. Mr. O'Reilly in the chair. The report was adopted and ordered to be laid before His Excellency the Governor, after which the House adjourned till Thursday, 2nd March.

Indignation Meeting at Yale.

WAGON TIRE EXTENSION ORDINANCE CONDEMNED.

We are indebted to Mr. Baxter of Yale for the following report of the proceedings at a very large and influential meeting held at Yale on the 20th inst.:

Meeting of the residents of Yale, held the 20th day of February 1865, to discuss and adopt certain resolutions on the Wagon Tires Ordinance, Mr. James Black in the chair, and Mr. Chas. Evans, secretary.

The chairman opened the meeting with a few appropriate remarks and requested the secretary to read the "Tires Ordinance, 1865" and the leading article on the subject appearing in the *British Columbian* of January 25th, 1865, these being the only information on the question which had at present reached us.

Mr. Barlow said, "You have all heard what the Editor of the *British Columbian* has said in his leading articles on the 'Tires Ordinance.' He (Ed.) admits that the change it has undergone is for the better. On this I most certainly differ from him for the following reasons:—1st, a short time ago we were given to understand that waggon of 3 inch tires could carry 7000 lbs. from Yale to Quesnelmouth. According to the Ordinance now before us we cannot carry over 5000 lbs. on any of the public roads in the colony. This Ordinance was uncalculated for, and if passed would be injurious to the teamsters, forwarders, packers, traders and the colony at large, as freight could not be laid down as cheap at the mines by the use of wide tires as by ordinary ones. He did not think it right that the most enterprising and energetic men in the colony who have been struggling here for the last 6 or 7 years should suffer in order to line the purse of one or two interested parties who he felt confident had been the cause of all this unnecessary nonsense. Most of you are engaged in freighting, and you all know that freight can be carried from Soda Creek to Quesnelmouth for 15 cents per lb. by ox teams when the road is completed. The present freight by the steamer is 2 cents per lb. Now if the goods can be taken by ox teams at 15 cents per lb., the steamer will be compelled to take its fare one cent. This would be a very serious item to the steamer, as the difference in the amount between 1 and 2 cents would be in the aggregate \$20,000 in a season. Now when we look at these figures we need not be surprised why certain parties should give themselves as much trouble on this question. However I believe that His Excellency is not going to rush the Bill through the House, and would like to have the opinions of all who are engaged in transporting goods to the mines." With these remarks he moved:

"That in the opinion of this meeting the roads of this colony have not received any material damage from the use of narrow tires, and that the substitution of a wide tire will have the effect of increasing the cost of carrying goods to the mines."—Carried unanimously.

Mr. John Alway said that the resolution which he was about to submit contained a clause that fully met his views; and that was that the Tire Ordinance was injurious to the best interests of the colony; for what was more injurious than a constant changing from one rule to another. What guarantee could a freighter have but that a law would be promulgated next session compelling the use of 12 inch tires. Such a law could be brought in with as much reason as the present one which says that I who carry 5500 lbs. on my waggon should have to pay \$55 more on each load than one carries only 5000 lbs. In conclusion he begged to move,—"That the present interference with the freighting business, as proposed by the Tires Ordinance is uncalculated for, and injurious to the best interests of the colony, and cannot be looked upon in any other light than as an attempt to increase the present tolls."—Carried.

Mr. Gladwin said it afforded him much pleasure in moving the resolution which had been placed in his hands, feeling satisfied that the Government would eventually find that no extra toll would be required; he thought that the present toll was already sufficiently high, and was glad to see that the Government had abandoned the idea of making the use of 4 inch tires compulsory. He begged to move,—"That, if in the opinion of the Government the waggon road above Quesnel should be more easily injured than those below—the proper mode would be to levy a toll on all goods leaving that point sufficient to meet the cost of repairs."—Carried.

In seconding this resolution, Mr. F. J. Barnard said he was firmly of opinion that if the matter was thoroughly understood by the Government they would not pay any attention to the matter of "Tires" whatever. His impression was that the Governor was not inclined to increase the Road Tolls at all, but that he seemed to be impressed with the idea that the cost of maintaining the roads above Quesnelmouth would amount to something enormous. With this view he (Mr. B.) in common with all interested parties did not concur. He believed that after the road above Quesnel had been once tried it would be found that it had a good, hard, gravelly bottom and that the mud and wet would give way to the action of the sun and wind, and make as good a road as any in the colony. Should it prove otherwise, from what he knew of the willingness of the people of British Columbia to pay taxes, he thought that no trouble would be experienced in collecting sufficient tolls at Quesnelmouth to defray the cost of repairs of that particular section. With these remarks he had much pleasure in seconding Mr. Gladwin's motion.—Carried unanimously.

Mr. William Lane said he had a resolution to propose which expressed the willingness of team-

sters to pay any tolls in reason that might be found necessary for the purpose of keeping a road in good repair; but he expected, in common with those who would vote for this resolution, the toll so collected would be laid out in the section of road it was collected for, without any "shinamang" whatever, and if that was done he would have a very small toll indeed to pay. He now begged to move,—"That as teamsters, forwarders, and traders, we hereby record our willingness to defray any increase of cost in maintaining the new roads in order, but deprecate the imposition of any additional toll whatever on the lower roads."—Carried.

Mr. F. J. Barnard moved,—"That a committee consisting of Messrs. Romano, Barlow, Alway, Gladwin & Evans, be appointed to draw up a petition on this subject for presentation to His Excellency."—Carried.

Moved by Mr. W. Gladwin,—"That the thanks of this meeting, on behalf of the carriers, traders, and farmers of the colony be and are hereby tendered to the Editor and Proprietor of the *British Columbian* newspaper for the able and independent opposition he has offered this measure in his numerous practice articles on the subject."—Carried unanimously.

COPY OF PETITION.

To His Excellency Frederick Seymour, Governor of British Columbia, &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY.—The undersigned inhabitants of Yale, believing that the use of narrow tires has not proved in any way injurious to the road, at present in the colony, and that the imposition of discriminating tolls on waggon carrying heavy freight, is calculated to cause trouble and annoyance, and that the use of wide tires on the present roads can never be brought about by such discriminating tolls, would respectfully petition Your Excellency to defer any legislation whatever in the matter until it is ascertained beyond doubt that narrow tires are injurious to the roads proposed to be built above Alexandria.

And your petitioners as in duty bound will ever pray.

Yale, B. C., 20th Feb., 1865.

[Signed by 84 inhabitants.]

The Union Furor.

To the Editor of the *British Columbian*.

Sir,—If union of the two colonies, at the instance of Vancouver Island, (i.e., bubble blown by DeCosmos and McClure,) is forced upon British Columbia, whether she likes it or not, will it also be left in the hands of these two gentlemen to determine the basis upon which that union is to be effected? Are they to have all the say in the matter, and poor British Columbia not to have a word? But then the fate of nations has been determined before now by great men, and why not the fate of two such insignificant colonies, which are as nothing in the hands of these giant intellects—these profound politicians—these overwhelming statesmen? We are but a piece of plaster clay, to be moulded and formed by them and take whatever shape they please. To see them strutting around Victoria with heads erect, nasal organs elevated and slow and ponderous tread, and sticks under their arms, as if disdaining their use for support, they seem aware of the power they possess to crush or carry everything in a political point of view. But great men are always magnanimous, and they quietly await the proper time to lead us mildly and gently by the nose, as they have done the tradesmen &c. of Victoria, and make us acquiesce in our own ruin. The time is not ripe now. They must wait until the summer months—until the mining districts and interior towns are again populated, and then they will send delegates to preach "Union and Tariff," or perhaps the "Beloved of the world," in his irresistible might, may become a delegate himself, and by his thunder of eloquence, sweep all before him, indicting particularly severe chastisement on any one who has the impudence to be younger than himself. Now, Mr. Editor, what are we to do in this terrible crisis? Are we to sit calmly and await these conquering heroes, to strew flowers in their path, to propitiate them and quietly submit to their will, to fall on our bended knees before them and pray for them to be "easy on us, and if they can't be easy, just to be as easy as they can?" Or are we to fling down the gauntlet to them and perish in unequal strife? By the way, perhaps the swashes would lend us a hand—or what do you think of offering, on the sly you know, a few of our best town lots in New Westminster to them just now, before the thing goes any further, to buy them off and save the balance? They are still better than lots in some H. B. C. towns, looming in the distant and uncertain future. "A bird in the hand," you know, "is worth two in the bush."

In this our sorry plight I place the above ideas before you, as I think that every man who has an idea at present should come forward with it, or I should not have the presumption to rush into print. We must be up and active. We, the people I mean, not simply the Legislative Assembly, or these giants may some fine morning actually tear us from off the continent of America, (and our unfortunate country, Cariboo, Kootenay, all), annihilate the Gulf of Georgia and attach us to Vancouver Island, after which they might clip us up into copper stock, or even set the Dredge to work to "clean us out," which they seem to be determined upon.

ZACHUS.

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